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Burnt Fork-Birch Creek Distribution System

The annual water user's meeting of the Burnt Fork-Birch Creek District was held March 16, 1970, at 2:00 p.m. in the McKinnon School House at McKinnon, Wyoming.

Those present were:

Donald C. Norseth
Frank Reese
John Teichert
Earl Hanks
Orson Behunin
Bob Gamble
Theron Wilde
Albert Wilde
Duane Beck
Jon Wilde
Alonzo Jarvie
Ray Sadlier
Donald Behunin

Utah Distribution Engineer
Controller, State Engineer
State Board on Control (Wyoming)
Secretary
Self Ranch
Board Member
Self Wilde Ranch
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Beck Ranch Wilde Ranch & Interstate Canal Co. Interstate Canal Co. Board Member Behunin Ranch

Meeting opened by Chairman Charles Meeks. The 1969 minutes were read by Secretary Earl Hanks.

Motion made by Jon Wilde that the minutes be accepted as read. Seconded by Bob Gamble.

Financial Report

The financial report was given by Frank Reese, Controller, Office of State Engineer of Utah.

The report was read and approved. A copy of this report had been sent to all board members and committee.

There had been a reduction in funds from 1969 of \$37.10. Mr. Reese had also divided the commissioner's bond between water districts to reduce the cost on each district. The assessment was to be the same. Motion made by Bob Gamble and seconded by LaRay Sadlier.

Commissioner Report

The commissioner was not at the meeting. Don Norseth gave a report and said he had talked to Willard Stringer, and he would take the job. Mr. Norseth informed us that he had just received the commissioner's report and did not have it read as yet.

Discussion

A discussion was held on what to do about the commissioner as to being unable to reach him when water users need him. Don Norseth and John Teichert said they would talk to Willard and see if something could be worked out. Would have Willard keep in touch with Charles Meeks if we are unable to get Willard. We were to call Robert Guy.

Water Report

Water report was given by Don Norseth. Water for 1970 was considerably lower than 1969. It was approximately 75% of the previous year.

Don Norseth also gave a report that the Burnt Fork-Birch Creek and the West Beaver Creek districts would probably be able to be combined sometime in June.

A discussion was brought up as to Hoops Lake having the priority over Island Lake. No decision was made as to what to do about this matter.

A discussion with Interstate Canal Company on the headgate on Burnt Fork was had. Willard had a new lock put on the gate. Charles Meeks reported that the leak was still in the gate. Alonzo Jarvie said it had been fixed.

The subject was brought up as to when water could be used for irrigation. John Teichert said it could be used any month of the year.

Nominations for Committee

Bob Gamble was nominated by Jon Wilde. Was voted and approved.

Orson Behunin nominated Charles Meeks as board member. Was voted and approved.

LaRay Sadlier remained as board member.

Earl Hanks remained as secretary.

Motion made to adjourn by Theron Wilde. Seconded by Bob Gamble.